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Pulling her own  
*McGuire Airmen contribute  
to hurricane relief efforts*



Photo by Staff Sgt. Bryan Bouchard

Airmen 1st Class Alyson Baird, engineer specialist, deployed from 305th Civil Engineer Squadron to the 4th Expeditionary Civil Engineer Squadron, tightens the stanchion for a tent Sept. 8. She, and Airmen from her squadron, worked with soldiers from the 82d Airborne Division to erect a tent city at Louis Armstrong International Airport, La., for soldiers supporting humanitarian efforts in New Orleans. For more on McGuire's contribution to hurricane relief efforts, see page 4.

# CC emphasizes importance of upcoming MOBEX

**N**ext week, Team McGuire kicks into high gear in preparation for our upcoming Inspector's General Exercise with a mobility exercise.

This exercise is the final dress rehearsal before we head to Michigan for the inspection, and I want to ensure each participant and evaluator takes full advantage of this training opportunity.

Mobility is not a foreign concept to this wing. On any given day, we have hundreds of wing members deployed around the world. From fighting terrorism in Iraq and Afghanistan to saving lives and restoring hope to our countrymen in Louisiana and Mississippi in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina, the members of Team McGuire are seasoned experts in mobility.

However, our experience does not excuse us from practices or inspections. These are further opportunities to polish our procedures and ensure we remain the best at what we do.

As you head out to the simulated deployed location, I challenge you to draw from your experiences to help out your fellow wingmen. Take this final opportunity to ensure that all aspects of your job function run

smoothly and by the book.

Our goal is to train as we fight. As long as you show the same effort during the MOBEX and IGX that you have shown during recent deployments, I have every confidence you will be one of the finest units these inspectors have the opportunity to see.

**Brig. Gen. JJ Jackson**

305th Air Mobility Wing commander

## Did you know?

- The Air Force celebrates its 58th anniversary Sunday.
- The First Secretary of the Air Force, W. Stuart Symington, took the oath as Secretary of the Air Force Sept. 18, 1947.
- Fort Dix Army Air Forces Base lay quiet and inactive during the first months of the Air Force's new history, but would reopen as McGuire in early 1948.

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Photo by Brian Dyjak

**Who's next?** Capt. Kerri Barnes, 305th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron maintenance operations officer, waits at the 305th Mission Support Squadron military personnel flight awards and decorations office, unaware Brig. Gen. JJ Jackson, 305th Air Mobility Wing commander, is waiting in line behind her. The commander was making his rounds surprising unsuspecting McGuire members.

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# Instructor encourages all to lend helping hand

By Tech. Sgt. Scott Sturkol  
421st Combat Training Squadron

Nearly seven months ago, I went on a C-130 Hercules airdrop mission over the remote mountains of Afghanistan and witnessed a “between the peaks” airdrop of food, water, blankets and other humanitarian supplies to Afghan villagers trapped by snow and ice.

The Afghans were experiencing their worst winter in decades, and the much-needed supplies helped them survive.

It was during that flight, however, that I thought about many other things, particularly what brought me to that seat on that plane in the first place.

When the events of Sept. 11, 2001, took place, doing something like an airdrop mission over Afghanistan was the furthest thing from my mind. All I could think about, like millions of other Americans did, was, “What can I do to respond to this tragedy?”

There was no doubt in most people’s minds the attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon were terrorist attacks. As a military member and an Airman, I wanted to jump into action and help somewhere, somehow.

In the four years since that day, besides going on two deployments to support the Global War on Terrorism that took me away from my family for nearly a year, I’ve done all I can to help people wherever, whenever I can do it.

On deployments, whether it was helping get aid to Afghans or Iraqis to make their lives better, I wanted to do it.

At home, I did my best to volunteer more of my free time to help with school fundraisers to

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421st Combat Training Squadron instructor

help children. I’ve also taken my whole family out — which with me includes five people — to support events helping military veterans several times a year. And, I’ve donated money to causes that help people to the best of my ability.

Could I do more? Definitely. But I also know that my fellow Airmen continue to do as much as me or even more. They are doing what they can do to make things better.

When Hurricane Katrina was heading for the Gulf Coast earlier this month, many of the Airmen I work with, along with myself, wondered what could happen in the storm’s aftermath. It didn’t take long to see the results.

And when the call came for a military response to support Joint Task Force-Katrina, now formed of people from all the services from the Air Force and the Coast Guard to the Army, Navy and Marine Corps, it brought together a joint effort to bring some relief and support to the hundreds of thousands of Americans who have suffered from this terrible storm. I don’t know of a single Airman whom I work with who hasn’t volun-

teered to do something to help.

For JTF-Katrina, there are tens of thousands of active duty, Guard and Reserve personnel on the front lines of relief efforts from nearly every base in the Air Force and other military installations throughout the country doing what they can to help.

And it’s not confined to those forward personnel. Home station Airmen and their families are making an effort as well. For example, Sept. 3 in my military family housing area at McGuire, a number of Air Force families teamed together to have a yard sale to raise money for the American Red Cross hurricane relief fund. The group succeeded in raising more than \$400 from their sale. It doesn’t sound like much, but they were doing whatever they could do to help.

Many homegrown efforts, whether it’s a yard sale or a clothing drive or something else, are taking place to support displaced people from the hurricane, and I know it will continue in the days, weeks and months ahead.

Thinking back on the airdrop mission I was on over the mountains of Afghanistan, I remember that upon completion of the mission many of the people on board that plane were happy they did something to help those stranded Afghans. But, as one of the loadmasters told me while I stepped off the plane, “We can always do more.”

Doing more and doing what we can — that is the true spirit of Airmen at their best.

Since Sept. 11, 2001, Airmen have worked hard to do what they can to help people at home and around the globe. Now, with JTF-Katrina, they continue to do whatever they can do to help. And if tradition holds true, Airmen who are doing whatever they can, wherever they are called to do it, will continue for years to come.

## Be smart about providing help to Hurricane Katrina victims

By Lt. Col. Joseph Martin  
96th Logistics Readiness Squadron

EGLIN AIR FORCE BASE, Fla. — We are living in very difficult times, and the stress levels can get to the breaking point before you realize it.

Just the other day, I had to return a brand new television I had bought only two days prior to the base exchange. Of course, I then had to wait in line to be served, and to top it off I had an Airman Leadership School graduation ceremony that I was subsequently late for.

As I was stewing in my

own frustration, I looked up at the TV in the BX customer service area and realized that my problems — however important to me — were trivial.

I had a TV to return; many others lost all their possessions.

I have a home and a family to go to; many others are dead, and many have had their homes destroyed.

I had a ceremony to attend at which three logistics Airmen graduated; Keesler Air Force Base, Miss., and many other places will not have such ceremonies for many months.

We are in fact fortunate,

but all is not well.

Our jobs are about to get harder as we support an influx of displaced Americans and additional people either on the base or in the local area who are providing support to the affected area.

Give it your all knowing that if the tables were turned, they would do the same for you — we’re all Air Force blue.

We all have a chance to contribute. I was asked today about organizing something in the squadron to make donations to the relief effort. What a great idea, which is best executed by individually making

donations to the American Red Cross.

Although donating water, diapers, canned goods and more is a noble gesture, it is extremely difficult to get such products to the affected areas. The Red Cross is ideally situated to use your monetary contributions to match the requirements on the ground.

Finally, the first responders to this catastrophe are working around the clock in search-and-rescue and recovery operations.

Although our basic military training, skills and work ethic would be of potential benefit, we need

to let them do their job. In the coming weeks, much work will be done in the affected areas, but your individual presence is not required. Given the devastation, it is unlikely anyone will be allowed into the area for quite some time.

If you were to attempt to go there and “help,” you would almost certainly be turned back.

Aside from the lost time on the road, fuel concerns may actually lead to you being stuck many miles from home with no way to return.

Simply put, stay here, work hard, contribute what you can, and pray.

# McGuire aids in hurricane relief

*After Hurricane Katrina devastates New Orleans, surrounding areas, McGuire troops arrive on scene to help victims, rebuild city*

**By Senior Airman Ashley DiFalco**  
Public Affairs Specialist

McGuire members continue to help victims of Hurricane Katrina by organizing and providing an array of support.

Since Aug. 31, shortly after Hurricane Katrina demolished the Gulf Coast, base members have been at the areas of devastation providing manpower and relief supplies. There are now 114 members supporting the humanitarian mission.

Fifty two of those members come from the 818th

Contingency Response Group. Upon arrival, they provided relief to the few airport workers and firefighters who, alone, had been coordinating helicopter rescue missions after the hurricane.

"When we first got here, the fire department was doing phenomenal work," said Lt. Col. David Wise, 819th Global Support Squadron operations officer. "They were literally sleeping by their trucks, carrying litters and marshalling helicopters."

The 818th CRG quickly assessed the airfield condition and "filled in the holes" in operations that the small group couldn't, said Colonel Wise. The airport was in desperate need of the 818th, which provides airfield operations where little or no infrastructure exists, he added.

Working with other Air Force units, the CRG installed lights on one runway and flood lights on a section of the apron and concourse area, enabling 24-hour operations until the airport power was restored.

Soon, hundreds of aircraft, including Army and Coast Guard helicopters, and Air Force and Navy planes, swarmed the airfield at all times of the day.

The CRG watched over the complete evacuation and relief aid process, provided support and recommended additional people or procedure changes to keep everything moving, said Colonel Wise.

Like the CRG, 50 McGuire members from the 305th Civil Engineer Squadron have also been there since Aug. 31. They are now a part of the 4th Expeditionary Civil Engineer Squadron.

"We set up two tent cities for servicemembers to work out of and have been coordinating relief efforts from the second we hit the ground," said Capt. Paul Fredin, 305th CES officer in charge. "It has definitely gotten better since we arrived, but the flooded areas have a long way to go."

McGuire Airmen, at various areas of devastation, have experienced the traumatic loss.

Senior Airman Aidaliz Lagueux, 305th Mission Support Squadron information manager, deployed to Keesler Air Force Base, Miss., said some of the surrounding neighborhoods looked as though a bomb hit them.

"I visited a retired woman's house yesterday, whose house had water up to the second story window," Airman Lagueux said. "I helped her find anything salvageable, which wasn't much, and her house was full of muddy green slime. There is wood, siding and personal belongings everywhere. The devastation makes me really appreciate what I have."

Airmen are continuing to do their part. The civil engineers have been cutting down trees in New Orleans, trying to open more roads for transportation.

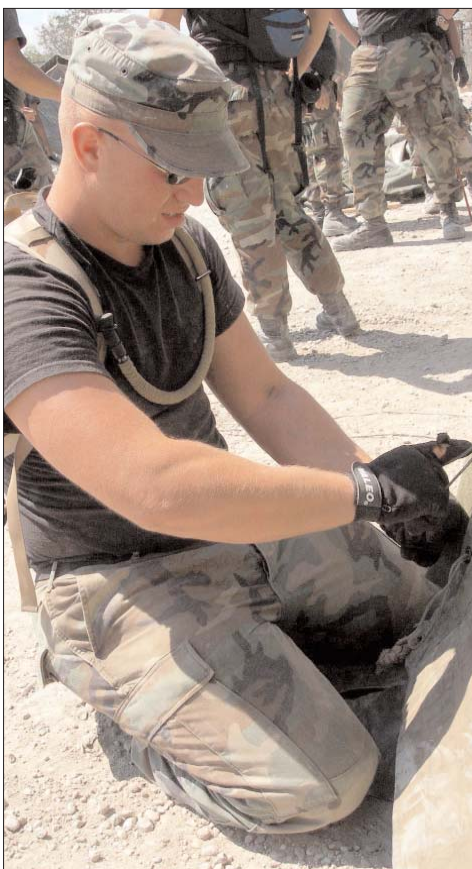
"The wind damage is not as bad as I thought it would be," said Captain Fredin. "The worst part is the flooded areas — in some places the water is 15 feet high. It's difficult to see the devastation ... the worst is still underwater."

When the McGuire teams first got there, the



Photos by Staff Sgt. Bryan Bouchard

Airman 1st Class Benjamin Boothe, a structures specialist deployed from the 305th Civil Engineer Squadron to the 4th Expeditionary Civil Engineer Squadron, ties down tent city's first flag pole Sept. 11. The tent city, now named Camp Gumbo, is home to more than 900 servicemembers deployed to support relief and recovery efforts in Southern Louisiana.



Senior Airman Neal Timmerman, deployed from the 305th Civil Engineer Squadron to the 4th Expeditionary Civil Engineer Squadron, buttons up the seam of a tent panel from a Harvest Eagle tent package. He, and Airmen from his squadron, worked with soldiers from the 82d Airborne Division to erect a tent city at Louis Armstrong International Airport, La., for servicemembers supporting humanitarian efforts in New Orleans.



Staff Sgt. Jonathan Close, civil engineer deployed from 305th CES, tries to bend aluminum tubing to make a valve key to shut off a water main in the Algiers section of New Orleans.

Army 82nd Airborne Division was airlifting 2,000 people a day, now they have been able to slow down to under 100, said Captain Fredin. They are still evacuating pets and anyone left in the city.

A return date has not yet been set for any of the McGuire members.

"We are here to help as long as they need us," said Colonel Wise.



# Crime Stoppers



McGuire security forces and medical emergency response teams responded to the following calls Sept. 3 to 9. Members with information about any crimes listed below should call the security forces investigation section at 754-4057.

## Sept. 3

- An automobile driver hit a curb on the passenger's side of the automobile, then swerved and hit a barrier while exiting the Bolling Gate. The driver reported sustaining minor injuries to her hand and was transported to Virtua Memorial Hospital. The vehicle sustained major damage. Damage to the barrier was minor.
- An automobile driver backed a vehicle out of a parking spot in Falcon Courts North and struck another vehicle, causing minor damage to both vehicles.
- Medical personnel responded to the dining facility where an individual received an injury to the eye. The individual was taken to Virtua Memorial Hospital.

## Sept. 4

- An individual reported unknown person(s) damaged his rental vehicle while visiting Philadelphia. He stated that in order to turn in the rental vehicle, he needed a police report and was unable to return to Philadelphia to get one.
- An individual reported his driver's-side, rear-view mirror had been detached and left hanging from the door, while his car was parked in FCN, and that gravel was on the roof and seam of the driver's-side window.
- Another resident near the quarters said he noticed children playing music and hanging around in the parking lot where the car was parked.
- Security forces responded to a report of two male individuals having a verbal altercation in the shoppette. Security forces approached one of the individuals, who was barred from the installation, and detained him for criminal trespassing. The individual was issued a United States District Court Violation

Notice for a violation of Title 18, Section 1382, Criminal Trespassing, and was released off the installation on his own recognition.

## Sept. 5

- A civilian exited the visitors' control center without a pass and walked toward the gas station, crossing the security barriers. The guard stated the individual had done the same thing on a previous occasion. Security forces issued a citation for Title 18, Section 1382, Entering a Military Reservation for any Purpose Prohibited by Law, and escorted the individual off base.

## Sept. 6

- A vehicle driver traveling northbound on East Arnold Avenue failed to break as he approached stopped traffic, and struck the rear of another vehicle. Both vehicles sustained minor damage.
- Medical personnel responded to Building 2622, where an individual was suffering from a serious nose bleed. The individual was taken to Virtua Memorial Hospital.
- An individual reported that a child entered her house with a condom blown up like a balloon. The child told the caller she had received the condom from a teenage male. The caller attempted to locate the individual before calling. Security forces did a sweep for the teenage male but didn't find him.

## Sept. 7

- Unknown persons operating a vehicle were reported to have left the gas station without paying for gas. An AAFES employee related the description of the two individuals and their vehicle to security forces. All gates were notified of the description.
- Security forces responded to a reported assault. The complainant said he was grabbed and pushed into a chair and verbally abused. The accused denied touching the complainant. A witness who saw the incident said he saw no physical confrontation.

# Officials offer information to aid members affected by hurricane destruction

The following was compiled by the 305th Air Mobility Wing Public Affairs Office from information from the family support center and the McGuire Legal Office.

Air Force active-duty members, reservists on extended active-duty or civilian employees who left personal property behind due to the required hurricane evacuation, or who have been relocated to McGuire as a result of Hurricane Katrina, may e-mail the legal office claims division at [kevin.obrien3-02@mcguire.af.mil](mailto:kevin.obrien3-02@mcguire.af.mil) or call 754-5950.

Air Force family members in safe-haven status are urged to call the Air Force Personnel Center at (866) 299-0596 to report their safehaven location and contact information.

To help ensure Air Force members are safe and aware of their entitlements, additional information is available at: [www.af.mil/katrina/](http://www.af.mil/katrina/), <http://AFcrossroads.com> or [www.afpc.randolph.af.mil/](http://www.afpc.randolph.af.mil/).

Those attempting to contact family members affected by the hurricane should use the following information.

## DoD ID card holders

DoD ID card holders may call the family support center at 754-3154 or (866) 340-1685.

## Army

Military families and deployed

Soldiers affected by the hurricane may call the National Guard Bureau Family Program at (888) 777-7731 or visit [www.guardfamily.org](http://www.guardfamily.org). The NGB has been assigned the family support mission, and 1st Army has been assigned the logistical support mission.

The Mississippi Air National Guard Emergency operations center may also be contacted at (888) 288-4898.

Camp Shelby Family Programs staff can be contacted at (601) 558-2284 or DSN 286-2284.

Those in need of counseling services may call Military One Source, at (800) 342-9647.

Army Recruiting Command's operations center may also be contacted at (800) 223-3735, ext. 6-0823 or 6-0824.

## Navy

Sailors and family members may call (877) 414-4548, (877) 414-5359 or (877) 414-5358.

## Marine Corps

Marine family members east of the Mississippi River (except Wisconsin) are served by Quantico, Va., and should call (800) 336-4663 for questions. Those west of the Mississippi River, including Wisconsin, are served by Camp Pendleton, Calif., and should call (800) 253-1624.

## News Briefs

### Miss USA

Miss USA 2005 is scheduled to visit McGuire Sept. 24. All McGuire members are invited to meet and have their picture taken with her. Time and location has not yet been confirmed. For more information, call the public affairs office at 754-3950.

### Housing reminders

- Yard sales may be held only on a Saturday during the hours of 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Signs may not be posted on posts, trees or bushes, nor be distributed on McGuire or in government housing areas. Signs or hand flyers may be posted only in the resident's yard where the yard sale will take place. Signs must be removed immediately after the sale.
- Solicitation, fund-raising, scouting activities, school sales, and the like are prohibited in all family housing areas, unless approved by the 305th Mission Support Group commander.

### Street renaming

McGuire's 2nd Street will be renamed POW/MIA Street during a ceremony today at 3 p.m., hosted by the McGuire 56, at the corner of McGuire Boulevard and 2nd Street. Guest speakers will be Joseph O'Donnell, former prisoner of war, and Brig. Gen. JJ Jackson, 305th Air Mobility Wing commander.

# McGuire supports Philadelphia Stand Down

Story and photos by  
Senior Airman  
Dilia DeGrego  
Editor

More than 200 Team McGuire members joined area organizations Sept. 9, to help with Philadelphia Stand Down.

The stand down is a three-day volunteer effort to help hundreds of Philadelphia-area veterans by providing necessities like food, clothing, medical, legal and mental health assistance, and job counseling and referrals.

"McGuire has played a key role in the event's success for as long as I can remember," said Ed Spell, Philadelphia Stand Down executive director. "Philadelphia Stand Down is the second largest stand down in the nation. It is a benchmark for numerous other states and has helped more than 1,000 veterans since it began here. These veterans have served our country; this is our way to give back.

"They [veterans] are out on the streets because they weren't able to go forward after they served," he added. "For many of these veterans, it's like they are back in the jungle — except here the ground is made of concrete."

Although, the event wasn't "open for business" until Sept. 9, McGuire began preparation for the event months earlier.



Tech. Sgt. Todd Lacey, 305th Maintenance Operations Squadron NCO in charge of maintenance analysis, folds clothes donated for veterans at the stand down.



McGuire tents housed services provided during Philadelphia Stand Down. The day annual event provides food, clothing, medical, legal and other services for veterans from the Philadelphia area. More than 200 McGuire members volunteered to help during the stand down.

"We began preparing for the event in June," said Senior Master Sgt. Samuel Hayes, 305th Logistics Readiness Squadron first sergeant and stand down point of contact here. "This included weeks of planning, getting volunteers, setting up the supplies and coordinating transportation."

During the planning stages, McGuire volunteers encountered a few "bumps in the road," but nothing they couldn't overcome, said Sergeant Hayes.

"The weekend before the event, half of the McGuire stand down key players were deployed or identified to deploy in support of Hurricane Katrina relief efforts," he said. "Although we were operating with half of our volunteer capacity, we came together and were still able to provide the lead support for the operation's success."

"The majority of McGuire volunteers provided more than 12 hours of support a day, although the shifts were broken down into six-hour shifts," Sergeant Hayes added. "Their motivation was truly amazing."

McGuire's hands-on support began Sept. 6, transporting the equipment and materials to the event location, and continued through Monday when the team broke down the tents and brought them back to base.

For those volunteering



Senior Airman Brian DeGrego, Air Mobility Warfare Center multimedia maintainer and Airman 1st Class Brian Bunkley, 305th Aerial Port Squadron air transportation apprentice, prepare bags of clothing to be distributed to veterans at Philadelphia Stand Down.

during the event, the experience has been a rewarding one, they said.

"It was a win-win situation ... I got to help those in need, which gave me a good feeling of service, and the veteran participants were able to receive the much needed care, shelter and clothing," said Tech. Sgt. Todd Lacey, 305th Maintenance Operations Squadron, NCO in charge of maintenance analysis.

Rolling Thunder motorcycle club members, Rick Cavallero and David Hebel, said they felt similarly about their volunteer time.

"These guys need our help and support," Mr. Hebel said. "This is where we belong — helping other vets."

"Helping out is the least I can do," Mr. Cavallero said. "It could be me or anyone of us on the other side."

## NCOA graduates

The following technical sergeants graduated from the McGuire NCO Academy Sept. 8.

### Distinguished graduates

<b>Nathan Kilcollins</b> 305th Operations Support Squadron	<b>Nathan Tilton</b> 2nd Air Refueling Squadron	<b>George Kaneff III</b> 819th Global Support Squadron
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<b>Alicia Denis</b> 305th Aerospace Medicine Squadron	<b>Justin Bruno</b> 21st Air Mobility Operations Squadron
<b>Dwayne Gordon</b> 305th Air Mobility Wing	<b>Brian Chewning</b> 57th Weapons Squadron
<b>William Becker</b> 305th Aerial Port Squadron	<b>Timothy Carpenter</b> 605th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron
<b>Elroy Kunsy III</b> <b>Colleen Rafferty</b> 305th Communications Squadron	<b>Dohn Terrell Jr.</b> 817th Global Support Squadron
<b>Ina Ennis</b> <b>Duane Germann</b> 305th Logistics Readiness Squadron	<b>Elja Kamp3fhenkel Jr.</b> <b>Jeffrey Mitchell</b> <b>Charles Stonestreet Jr.</b> 818th Global Mobility Squadron
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## Hispanic Heritage Month kicks off

By Senior Airman  
Dilia DeGrego  
Editor

Team McGuire will kick off Hispanic Heritage Month here, today at 2 p.m., with the signing of the proclamation.

Brig. Gen. JJ Jackson, 305th Air Mobility Wing commander, will sign the proclamation recognizing the beginning of the annual event here.

Hispanic Heritage Month is the anniversary of independence for five Latin American countries — Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras and Nicaragua. Mexico and Chile also share in the observance.

"This month allows Hispanics to remember and honor their roots, the very origin of their own existence," said Senior Airman

Ernesto Ojeda, Hispanic Heritage Committee president. "We pay tribute to sacrifices made by Hispanics, while recognizing their contributions to the United States."

The McGuire HHC will hold various activities throughout the month to help promote cultural awareness and share their heritage, including story time reading activities at the library 10:30 a.m. Thursday and a food-tasting picnic Sept. 23 (time to be announced) at Wacky World. Those interested in participating in the activities or wanting more information, send an e-mail to [McGuireHHC@mcguire.af.mil](mailto:McGuireHHC@mcguire.af.mil). "This observance helps unite individuals from different countries and backgrounds; we are really looking forward to this year's festivities," said Terry Arzadon, HHC member.



# Double duty

## McGuire sergeant entertains troops while deployed

**By Airman 1st Class Rachel Martinez**  
Public Affairs Specialist

Musicians and bands travel to perform for servicemembers at a number of deployed locations, but deployed members in Baghdad didn't want to wait for the entertainment to come to them — they decided to provide it themselves.

The Baghdaddys is a band made up of deployed servicemembers in Baghdad, Iraq, including McGuire's own Master Sgt. Thomas Pitman, 305th Civil Engineer Squadron, superintendent of production control.

Sergeant Pitman, a self-taught musician, said he never goes TDY without his gear: a guitar, effects pedal and a small digital recording studio. He had previously been in a deployed band — but not one that earned the attention the Baghdaddys have.

The band formed more than a month ago when Sergeant Pitman, guitarist, attended an "open mic" night at his deployed location. There, he saw Army Sgt. 1st Class Brent Heidenis, vocalist, and Army Sgt. Sylvester "Sly" Singleton, bass and vocalist, perform. After the show, he found out they knew a drummer, Navy Capt. Rob Monroe, and they formed their band — The Baghdaddys. Recently two new civilian members were added; Chase Nash on guitar and Katie Nutt on vocals.

"We have a very diverse group with differing influences to draw from," said Sergeant Pitman. "We try to play something for everyone. It's rock and roll, but our set includes everything from BB King and Janis Joplin to Black Sabbath, Creed and 3 Doors Down. We cover four decades of rock and R&B standards."

The band has done three shows, all sponsored by Morale, Welfare and Recreation. They are also scheduled to perform Sunday at an Air

Force birthday celebration. Despite the limited number of performances, the band has become popular with other deployed servicemembers.

"A lot of the popularity comes from the fact that we are all here for the same reason," Sergeant Pitman said. "I think being in an environment like this; everyone looks forward to something different after working a 12- to 14-hour day. I think people appreciate the fact that we live and work in the same conditions they do, we don't just fly in and perform and then move on to the next show."

The band's popularity has grown enough for them to have been featured on Air Force News Radio and the Pentagon Channel's "Freedom Journal Iraq" television program.

"AFN has really been supportive with the band, they've even had us on as guests on their classic rock show," explained Sergeant Pitman. "I never imagined when we started this that we would be interviewing on TV and radio. It's an awesome feeling knowing that my family back home can see what I'm doing over here."

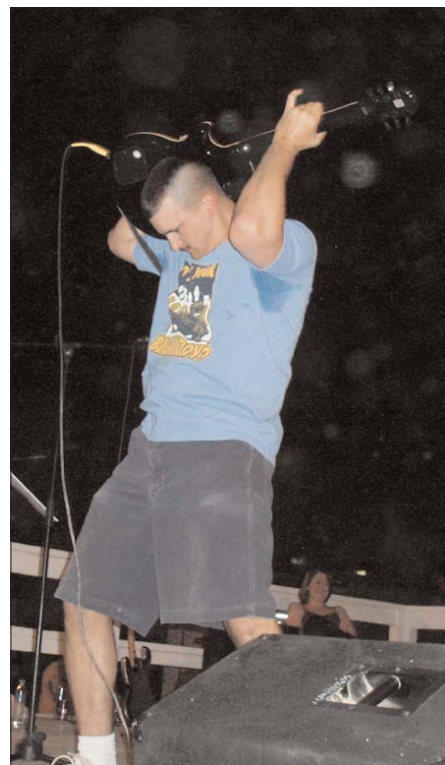
While all the attention the band is receiving is a nice benefit, another benefit is how the band itself helps the members deal with their deployment.

"We have been doing this for a little over a month now, and the time has flown by," Sergeant Pitman said. "I've made great friends with my band mates, which helps take the focus off counting the days until I go home."

A potential downside of being in a deployed band is the redeployment of its members. The lead singer and drummer are both scheduled to redeploy in the next few weeks.

"Our plan is to replace them as they leave and keep The Baghdaddys going for as long as we have troops here in Baghdad," said Sergeant Pitman.

Until the day comes for Sergeant Pitman to



Courtesy photos

**Master Sgt. Thomas Pitman, deployed to Baghdad from the 305th Civil Engineer Squadron, riffs on his guitar during a Baghdaddys performance.**

leave and return home, he continues to play in the band, entertaining troops.

"I just like all kinds of music, and having this opportunity to play with this group of musicians for the deployed troops over here is a



The Baghdaddys from left to right: Chase Nash, Master Sgt. Thomas Pitman, Army Sgt. Sylvester "Sly" Singleton, Katie Nutt, Army Sgt. 1st Class Brent Heidenis and Navy Capt. Rob Monroe. The band has been together for more than a month.



The Baghdaddys, a band made up of deployed members in Baghdad, perform on stage during one of their three shows. The band is scheduled to perform at an Air Force Birthday celebration Sunday in Baghdad.

# Taking a look at 305th OSS

**By Senior Airman Ashley DiFalco**  
Public Affairs Specialist

It's all in the name — operations support.

The mission of the 305th Operations Support Squadron is to provide information, support and equipment to allow aircrews to accomplish their global mobility mission.

"The name of the squadron pretty much sums up our mission," said 2nd Lt. Christopher Diehl, 305th OSS executive officer. "We support all flying operations here."

Even though the name sums up the mission, every unit within the squadron plays a crucial role to the operation, said the lieutenant.

The squadron is broken down into eight flights: airfield operations, combat tactics, current operations, aircrew life support, intelligence, weather, formal training and aircrew training. They currently have 50 officers and 180 enlisted members, each contributing to the squadron's mission.

"Airfield management operations, more specifically the control tower, is probably the most visible aspect of the OSS," said Lieutenant Diehl.

The airfield operations flight has four sections: the air traffic control tower, radar approach control, base

operations and combat crew communications.

"The thing that sets the OSS apart from other squadrons on base is the wide variety of career fields that make up the squadron," said Lieutenant Diehl.

One of those careers is meteorology. The weather flight provides support to the 21st Expeditionary Mobility Task Force, the 305th and 514th AMWs, the 108th Air Refueling Wing and the Air Mobility Warfare Center. They also provide "eyes forward" meteorology for the 15th Operational Weather Squadron at Scott Air Force Base, Ill.

"We are primarily responsible for mission forecast services relating to safe and effective sortie generation/recovery and aircraft operations," said Senior Master Sgt. Steven Whitehead, weather operations superintendent.

Another career field is intelligence. The intelligence flight is responsible for analysis and dissemination of military, criminal and terrorist threat information to McGuire aircrews and command leadership.

The mission of the aircrew life support flight is to provide 24-hour service for aircrew and passengers with an entire range of life sustaining equipment from life rafts to oxygen masks. They also provide aircrew land and water survival continuation training, life support equip-



Photo by Denise Gould

**Staff Sgt. Tyrone Wilson, 305th Operations Support Squadron air traffic controller trainee, utilizes the binoculars to observe ground safety at the air traffic control tower.**

ment and aircrew chemical defense.

"We do a lot of training within the squadron," said Lieutenant Diehl. "Every flight and unit within the squadron has some sort of training functions."

The formal training unit, formally called Combat Crew Training School, conducts KC-10 qualification and upgrade training for pilots, flight engineers and boom operators. According to Maj. Scott Smith, FTU commander, the unit provides training to all aircrew members, to include initial qualification and upgrade training.

The combat tactics flight provides complete tactics training for the 305th and 514th Air Mobility Wing aircrews, while the current operations flight schedules all the wings' missions and aircraft.

The aircrew training flight concentrates on training by coordinating all aspects of the KC-10 and C-17 aircrew training requirements for simulator, aircraft and ground events.

Together, all the flights make up a complete support unit for all flying missions at McGuire. Just like the name says, the 305th OSS is there for total support of McGuire operations.

**Filmstrip below:**

**Left:** Senior Airman Aaron Hunter, 305th Operation Support Squadron air traffic controller, gathers flight data in the tower.

**Center:** A C-17 approaches the runway and passes the air traffic control tower.

**Right:** Staff Sgt. Robert Pickel, 305th OSS life support instructor, takes McGuire members to a life raft during water survival training. The aircrew life support flight is responsible for land and water survival continuation training.



Photo by Denise Gould



Photo by Denise Gould



Photo by Kenn Mann



## At the Movies

### Today

"Dukes of Hazzard"

Rated PG-13. Show time is 7:30 p.m.

### Saturday

"The Great Raid"

Rated R. Show time is 7:30 p.m.

### Sept. 23

"Four Brothers"

Rated R. Show time is 7:30 p.m.

### Sept. 24

"Valiant"

Rated G. Show time is 7:30 p.m.

Ticket prices:

Adults \$3.50, children \$1.75

## Career and Education

### Right decision briefing

First- and second-term Airmen with less than 15 months until their separation date should contact Career Assistance Advisor Senior Master Sgt. Gerald Alexander. Briefing dates are Oct. 3, Nov. 7 and Dec. 15. To schedule an appointment, call 754-4636 or send an e-mail to [career.advisor@mcguire.af.mil](mailto:career.advisor@mcguire.af.mil).

### Burlington County College

BCC's new hours of operation are Monday through Thursday 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Friday 8:30 a.m. to noon. For more information, visit Building 1911, Room 209, or call 754-2577. The McGuire BCC office has temporarily discontinued placement testing. Placement tests may be taken at the Pemberton-Browns Mills campus by walk-in or appointment. To make an appointment, call 894-9311.

### Embry-Riddle

Office hours are Monday through Thursday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Friday 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. For more information, call 754-5353.

### Thomas Edison

Registration is currently being accepted for the following on-base courses offered 6 to 8:30 p.m. in Building 1911:

#### • Monday

PSY 350, Abnormal Psychology;  
SOC 322, Dealing with Diversity

#### • Tuesday

BUS 421, Business Policy;  
PHI 384, Ethics and the Business Professional

#### • Wednesday

HIS 301, African History, Culture

#### • Thursday

MAR 310, Principles of Sales;  
REL 405, Introduction to World Religions

Classes begin Oct. 1. Thomas Edison also offers more than 130 on-line courses and classes that support Community College of the Air Force completion. People may register at Building 1911, Room 211, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. For more information, call 723-1592 or 754-5348.

### Instructor positions

The Air Force Junior ROTC has instructor opportunities for retired or soon-to-be retired officers and NCOs. All applicants must be retired from active duty less than five years from the effective date of employment (may be waived in exceptional cases). If still on active duty, applicants must have applied for retirement to be effective within six

months. For more information, call (866) 235-7682, ext. 35275 or 35300. The DSN number is 493-5275 or 493-5300. For a list of schools and locations, go to <http://www.afots.af.mil/AFJROTC/Instructors.asp>.

### Tuition assistance

Tuition assistance is available on-line via the Air Force Virtual Education Center Web site at <https://www.my.af.mil/afvecprod> or via a link on the Air Force Portal.

## Retirement

### Ceremonies

• **Tech. Sgt. Barbara Fitzgerald**, 21st Air Mobility Operations Support Squadron, retires during a ceremony today at 11:30 a.m. in Building 2320. A reception will follow. To reply or for more information, call Chief Master Sgt. Russell McLaughlin at 754-6444.

• **Master Sgt. Caroline Phillips**, Air Mobility Warfare Center, retires during a ceremony today at 10 a.m. at Air Mobility Warfare Center Grace Peterson Hall. A reception will follow. For more information, call Vera Frye at 754-7704.



Photo by Kenn Mann

**Bargain buying** — McGuire Thrift Shop volunteer Jerrie Glass bags items purchased by Tech. Sgt. Gregg Kohlbecker, 108th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron crew chief. All military card holders may use the thrift shop. It is open for shopping Tuesday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. the third Wednesday of each month. The thrift shop is also open the first and third Saturday of each month, but the only consignments accepted during Saturday hours are furniture. All consignment items are accepted during weekday hours from 10 a.m. to noon.

## Arts and Crafts

The Fort Dix Arts and Crafts Center, Building 6039, is open Tuesday through Thursday noon to 5 p.m. and 6 to 8:45 p.m., Friday 11 a.m. to 4:45 p.m., and Saturday 9 a.m. to 4:45 p.m. For a complete list of classes or more information, call 562-5691.

#### • Quilts for kids

The first Saturday of each month 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

#### • Adult craft classes

Today at 1 p.m. — free card-making class

Sept. 27 — ceramic candle holder  
Oct. 4 — chip and dip set  
6 to 8:30 p.m. Registration is \$5 plus materials.

#### • Beginners crocheting class

Oct. 4 and 11 from 6 to 9 p.m.

• **Introduction to sewing** four-week class is Thursday, Sept. 29, and Oct. 6 and 13 from 6:30 to 9 p.m.

• **Children craft classes** for children ages 6 to 12 from 2:30 to 4 p.m.

Saturday — picture pot holder  
Oct. 1 — personal popcorn bowl  
Registration is \$5 plus materials.

● **Crafty birthday parties** include up to two hours of party-room use, one craft project with instruction and all materials, plus a digitally mastered photo T-shirt for the birthday child. A choice of crafts ranges from ceramic painting, create-a-critter stuffed animals, jewelry and other popular crafts.

● **Rubber stamping** 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Sept. 29 — using vellum in cards Oct. 11 — holiday cards

● **Framing class** requires pre-registration and costs \$10 plus materials purchased the day of class. Students should bring a piece to frame that is no larger than 8 x 10 inches.

Saturday 9 to 11:30 a.m.

Wednesday 6 to 8:30 p.m.

● **Six-week pottery classes** \$55 registration fee plus materials. Introductory pottery class — Every Wednesday 6:30 to 9 p.m. through Oct. 19

Intermediate pottery class — Every Thursday 6:30 to 9 p.m. through Oct. 20

● **Kids pottery class** for ages 6 to 9, meets Oct. 15 through Nov. 5 each Saturday 10:30 a.m. to noon. Registration is \$20 plus materials.

● **Tween pottery class** for ages 10 to 13, meets Oct. 15 through Nov. 5 each Saturday 1 to 2:30 p.m. Registration is \$20 plus materials.

● **Ceramics studio** hours have changed to Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday noon to 5 p.m. and 6 to 9 p.m., Friday 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday is Family Fun Day at the studio, and purchases are 25 percent off. The day's promotion will be a limited user fee.

## Miscellaneous

### Retirement certificates

Offices responsible for preparing retirement certificates (DD form 363AF) and certificates of appreciation for spouses (AF form 1344) of retiring members should discontinue presenting certificates bearing General Jumper's signature in all instances where a retirement is effective Oct. 1 or later. Therefore, take the following actions:

- Advise retiring members that their new certificate will be mailed later;
- Keep a listing of these members' forwarding addresses;
- Make sure protective mailing material is available to prevent mutilation of documents when mailed;
- Use "mock" certificates at the retire-

ment ceremony for photographs; however, make sure the retiree and spouse know these are not their actual certificates, and

● Advise the Air Force Publication Office <http://afpubs.hq.af.mill/onlineorder> of the immediate need for these certificates during the first 90 days of the new Air Force chief of staff tenure. Make sure to provide the account number and order identification numbers when ordering the certificates. Anticipate a delay in receiving the new certificates.

### Enlisted spouses

The McGuire Enlisted Spouses Club is scheduled to meet the fourth Wednesday of every month at 7 p.m. in the enlisted club. The next membership meeting is scheduled for Sept. 28. A beach party at Seaside Heights is scheduled for Saturday, and an apple-picking trip is also scheduled for Saturday. For more information, call Nicole Seiler at 723-2445.

### AFSA Meeting

Chapter 211 of the Air Force Sergeants' Association will hold its monthly meeting Sept. 29 at 4:30 p.m. in the McGuire Enlisted Club Fireside Lounge.

### McGuire 56

McGuire 56 is an organization for Airmen with ranks E-5 and E-6, who actively participate in activities on base. For information, call Staff Sgt. Josh Copeland at 754-3239.

### Cub Scouts

A round-up for Cub Scout Pack 199 is scheduled today at 6:30 p.m. at Columbia Elementary School for boys interested in becoming a Cub Scout. For more information, call Todd Charlesworth at 723-5740.

### Airmen's attic

Located at 3446 Broidy Ave., the attic is open from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Children's clothing sizes infant to 6x, seasonal items, furniture, appliances and more are available to service members E-4 and below, and their spouses. For more information, call 754-8703.

## Kids and Teens

### Youth center activities

For more information about activities hosted by the McGuire Youth Center, call 754-KIDS.

### ● Midnight basketball

10 p.m. to midnight today — free

### ● Karate classes

Saturday 9 to 10:20 a.m., beginners, ages 6 to 9; 10:20 to 11:40 a.m., intermediate, ages 10 to 14; 11:40 a.m. to 1 p.m. and Wednesday from 7:30 to 8:45 p.m., advanced students and adults

## Community

### Family support center activities

For more information about any of the FSC events and activities below, call 754-3154.

### ● Sweetheart seminar

Deadline is Monday to register for the seminar scheduled for Sept. 24 from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at Chapel II in Falcon Courts North.

### ● Federal resume writing seminar

Sept. 27 from 10 a.m. to noon at the FSC.

### ● Pre-deployment briefings

Briefings are scheduled Monday and Wednesday from 1 to 1:30 p.m. and Thursday from 9 to 9:30 a.m. This briefing discusses personal and family readiness issues. It also meets the requirement for the readiness box on the deployment checklist. Advance registration is required.

### ● Divorce care

This group meets the first and third Thursday of every month from 4 to 5:30 p.m. at the FSC. It enables participants to have a better understanding of what they are going through, provides them with support from others in similar situations and assists in the process of readjustment in their life.

### Family advocacy

For more information about or to register for family advocacy programs, including those listed below, call 754-9680.

### ● Early pregnancy class

Topics help prepare parents for what to expect throughout pregnancy. Guest speakers include experts from pediatrics, physical therapy, dental, TRICARE, public health, nutrition and family advocacy. The class is held the second Monday of each month from 9 to 11:30 a.m.

### ● Fathers-to-be

Class is taught by dads, for dads, and is held the third Thursday of each month from 5 to 6:30 p.m.

### ● Marriage with babies

Class topics help expectant parents to learn how a new baby impacts

their marital relationship. Class is offered quarterly the first Friday of each month at Child Development Center I from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

### ● Playgroup

This informal setting allows children to play while parents socialize from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at CDC I.

Monday, ages 18 months to 3 years; Wednesday, birth to 18 months.

## Spiritual

For more information about spiritual services, call 754-HOPE.

### Worship services

#### ● Catholic Mass

Monday through Thursday at 11:35 a.m., Saturday at 5 p.m., Sunday at 9 a.m. at Chapel I.

#### ● Islamic Zuhr prayer

Monday through Friday at noon at the Fort Dix Chapel.

#### ● Jewish Sabbath worship

The first and third Friday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at the Fort Dix Chapel.

#### ● Protestant

Traditional

Sunday, 8 a.m. at Chapel II  
Gospel

Sunday, 11 a.m. at Chapel I  
Evangelical

Sunday, 11 a.m. at Chapel II

#### ● Wiccan study group

The first Tuesday each month at 6:30 p.m. at Chapel II.

### Men's reformation group

A group is scheduled for Friday at 11:45 a.m. at the officers' club.

### OCF

The Officers' Christian Fellowship meets for Bible study the first and third Monday of every month at 6:30 p.m. at Chapel II.

### CWOC

The Catholic Women of the Chapel meets the third Sunday of every month at 7 p.m. at Chapel I annex. Childcare is provided. For reservations, call Duska at 723-2766.

### Club Beyond

This club, for junior and senior high school teens, meets to play games, do group activities and perform skits. Beginning in October, high school participants will meet every Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. and junior high students will meet every Tuesday at 6 p.m. For more information, contact Scott Schesser at 754-5904.



## In the Spotlight

**Name:** Tech. Sgt. Jason Cook

**Age:** 30

**Hometown:** Spencer, W.Va.

**Duty title/unit:** 421st Combat Training Squadron combat training instructor

**Time in the Air Force:** Eleven years, three months

**Time at McGuire:** Three years, seven months

**What I like most about being** Tech. Sgt. Jason Cook **stationed at McGuire** is being close to family members and being stationed at the Air Mobility Warfare Center

**The military member who influenced my career the most** is Master Sgt. Lawrence Kearney. He took the time to learn who I was and push me in the direction I needed to go.

**My proudest military moment** is when a previous student, who had just returned from Iraq, told me that without the training I had provided him, he wasn't sure if he would be talking to me.

**Five years from now** I'll be a master sergeant working on making senior master sergeant.

**Dream job:** Run my own motorcycle shop

**Motto:** "Live everyday as if it's your last."

**Supervisor's comments:** "Sergeant Cook recently took over a very difficult and time-consuming task involved with the Eagle Flag exercise. He is also the President of the McGuire Green Knights Motorcycle Club and teaches motorcycle safety courses both on and off base."

— Master Sgt. Kevin Edwards  
421st CTS

tactical airlift control element program manager



## Halvorsen Dining Hall Menu

### Today Lunch

Spaghetti  
Spinach lasagna  
Pasta provencale  
**Dinner**  
Mexican baked chicken\*  
Swiss steak  
Stuffed peppers

### Saturday Lunch

Broccoli quiche  
Stir fry chicken with broccoli  
Pork chops  
**Dinner**  
Baked chicken\*  
Cajun meat loaf  
Ribeye steak

### Sunday Lunch

Chicken breast w/ orange glaze  
Fried shrimp  
Spinach lasagna\*  
**Dinner**  
Fish and chips  
Roast beef  
Chicken parmesan

### Monday Lunch

Steak with tomato sauce  
Baked chicken\*  
Italian sausage  
**Dinner**  
Roast turkey  
Baked ham  
Fish and fries

### Tuesday Lunch

Lemon fish\*  
Pork schnitzel  
Steak yakisoba,  
Beef spaghetti  
**Dinner**  
Paprika beef\*  
BBQ beef cubes  
Chicken fajitas

### Wednesday Lunch

Jerk chicken\*  
Beef porcupines  
Enchiladas  
**Dinner**  
Pita pizzas\*  
Country style steak  
Fried chicken

### Thursday Lunch

Orange-spiced chops\*  
Liver with onions  
Tempura fried fish  
**Dinner**  
Baked chicken\*  
Pepper steak  
Pasta primavera

Menu items are subject to change due to availability. For more information, call 754-2527.

\* Denotes a Healthy Heart Menu item

Visit us on the web for the full 28 day menu

[www.305services.com](http://www.305services.com)



## Can Do Crew

The Can Do Crew would like to recognize **Senior Airman Linda Crouch**, 605th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron communication/navigation system journeyman. Airman Crouch consistently works to help others excel. She spent many hours off-duty preparing flight fund-raisers, volunteering for Airman Against Drunk Driving and assisting families of deployed members by going to their house to lend a hand with minor chores. At work, she has been trained

on numerous guidance and control tasks and has aided critically low-manned shops. She's a true example of "One Team — One Theme." Be aware that the Can Do Crew is everywhere, looking for outstanding service. They covertly seek members of Team McGuire who make a difference, identifying and recognizing only the best. Remember, the strongest asset of Team McGuire is its people; they are what makes McGuire a better place to live, work and play.

## What's My Line?

### The rules

1. Write a humorous or imaginative caption or cutline.
2. All entries must be submitted by noon Monday. Forward e-mail to [airtides@mcguire.af.mil](mailto:airtides@mcguire.af.mil) or drop off entries at the 305th Air Mobility Wing Public Affairs office.
3. Entries are limited to two per person.
4. The person with the funniest or most imaginative caption or cutline gets a 305th Services Squadron grab bag, which includes a variety of freebies, such as a lunch at Pudgy's and a free round of golf.
5. Prizes are provided by the 305th Services Squadron. Winners can pick up their prize at the 305th Services Marketing Office, Building 2905, at Pudgy Circle.



Winner: "Halvorsen Hall's new industrial strength juicer was a little more complicated than originally anticipated."

— Senior Airman Michael Gann  
305th Aerial Port Squadron

Runner up: "I have gotten trophies before, but this one has to be the most unusual."

— Pete Vigliarolo  
305th APS



Write a caption or cutline for this photo. The writer whose caption or cutline is the funniest or most imaginative will be printed in the following week's issue.

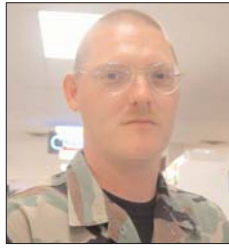
## Team McGuire on the street

### How have you contributed to Hurricane Katrina relief efforts?



**Master Sgt. Gerald Richard,  
6th Airlift Squadron**

"The 6th Airlift Squadron has contributed more than \$470 toward relief efforts."



**Staff Sgt. Steven Surber,  
305th Logistics Readiness Squadron**

"My flight donated \$40 to our squadron, which collected funds for relief efforts."



**Staff Sgt. Adam Krebs,  
305th Operations Support Squadron**

"I have contributed to various charity organizations in support of Hurricane Katrina."



**Master Sgt. Tracy Wittrock,  
305th Mission Support Squadron**

"I have been the gathering point for Team McGuire donations. We have contributed more than \$9,000."

## Crossword puzzle : Happy Birthday, USAF

### ACROSS

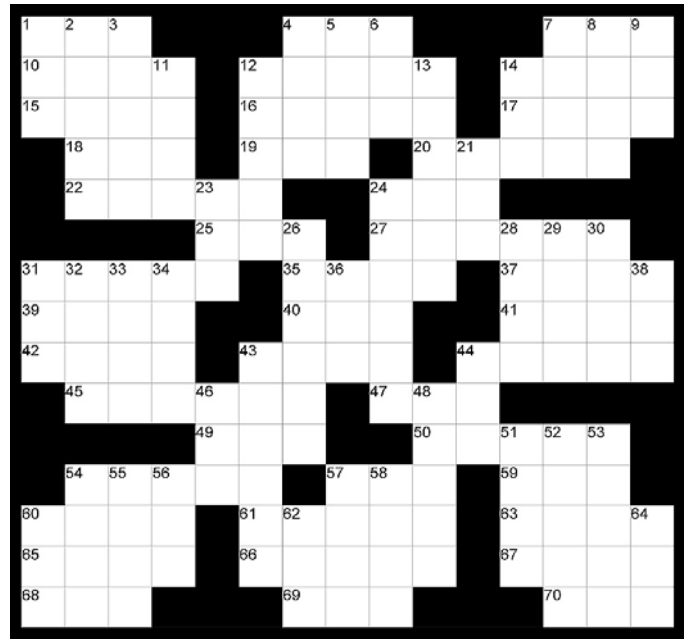
1. Commercials
4. Federal org. concerned with drugs
7. \_\_\_ vs. Wade
10. Category
12. Cpl. Vernon L. \_\_\_; first enlisted pilot in 1912
14. Gen. \_\_\_ Spaatz; first Chief of Staff of the USAF
15. Recount
16. French cubist artist Fernand
17. Pilots with 5+ kills
18. Bro's sib
19. Donkey
20. Gen., Maj., CMSgt, SSgt, A1C, etc.
22. Plant stem
24. Kunsan AB host country currency
25. Dowel
27. Gen. Henry H. \_\_\_; only five star general in USAF history
31. Frederick I. \_\_\_; charter member of the Order of Daedalians
35. \_\_\_ on; encourages
37. Jacob's first wife
39. Film \_\_\_
40. 2000 movie \_\_\_ of Honor
41. SE Florida county home to Homestead JARB
42. Repeated 3X for title film about

### DOWN

43. Sally \_\_\_; first U.S. woman in space
44. Estimate
45. Banderole
47. Galloped
49. Stat for 48 DOWN
50. Dallas team
54. Uniform material, once
57. Tom Brady stat
59. Former command developed by Gen. Curtis E. LeMay, in brief
60. Ache
61. Ralph \_\_\_; American lawyer, consumer protectionism pioneer
63. Smooth out
65. For Your Eyes \_\_\_
66. Simultaneous release of a rack of bombs from an aircraft
67. Current MAJCOM for training
68. Snakelike fish
69. Vote in favor
70. Comm. person in the field

### DOWN

1. MCI competitor
2. William E. \_\_\_; WWII pilot & Bataan death march escapee
3. Break in two
4. Fees
5. Units of energy; equal to work of a force of one dyne/cm
6. Period
7. Medieval torture tool
8. Mining goals
9. Golfer Ernie
11. Designer Schiaparelli
12. Ester McGowin \_\_\_; first woman to enlist in Air Force
13. Mistakes
14. Able
21. Cape \_\_\_; northeast Massachusetts peninsula
23. Dr.'s asst
24. Lt. Boyd \_\_\_; first American USAF ace of WWII



By Capt. Tony Wickman

### Sept. 9 answers



26. NASA space program
28. Brig. Gen. Robin \_\_\_; rated a triple air ace (WWII/Vietnam)
29. Lawns
30. Art movement
31. Uzal G. \_\_\_; 2AF commander in WWII, led Operation Tidal Wave
32. Blunder
33. Italian currency, once
34. Middle East country
36. H.S. diploma equivalent
38. Word of surprise
43. Augustine Warner \_\_\_; father of modern USAF logistics
44. Picnic pest

46. Bother
48. Houston player
51. Continent home to Osan AB
52. Scarcer
53. Cpl. Frank \_\_\_; first enlisted man to die in aircraft accident
54. Citizen \_\_\_
55. Ployer P. \_\_\_; test pilot killed in original B-17 crash
56. \_\_\_ Given Sunday
57. Sit \_\_\_ by; do nothing
58. Actress Campbell
60. Writer Edgar Allen
62. Auto club
64. Considered "backbone" of USAF





## Pigskin Picks

"Tell me this, Aaron, who knows more about football now? Go Steelers."

— Rebecca Miller  
Team McGuire member



Each week during football season, the **Airtides** publishes a list of the National Football League games for the upcoming week. Team McGuire members can submit their predictions, including the winner and the total points for the Monday night game.

The person who guesses the most correct outcomes wins a 305th Services Squadron prize.

The person or people with the worst record receives the "You Don't Know Jack" award, which encompasses no physical prize.

This week's "Jack" prize goes to **Aaron Miller**, Team McGuire member, who missed nine guesses. Compared to his sister, Rebecca, he's not starting off the season well. But, then again, neither are the Eagles.

All entries must be submitted before the opening kickoff to the first game Sunday. The total points of the Monday game determine the winner if there's a tie for the week.

Send an e-mail to [airtides@mcguire.af.mil](mailto:airtides@mcguire.af.mil), with the words **pigskin picks** in the subject line.

### Week two games:

#### Sunday

Ravens vs. Titans  
Lions vs. Bears  
Giants vs. Saints  
49ers vs. Eagles  
Bills vs. Buccaneers  
Vikings vs. Bengals  
Steelers vs. Texans  
Jaguars vs. Colts  
Patriots vs. Panthers  
Rams vs. Cardinals  
Falcons vs. Seahawks  
Dolphins vs. Jets  
Chargers vs. Broncos  
Browns vs. Packers  
Chiefs vs. Raiders

#### Monday

Redskins vs. Cowboys



Don't forget to include predicted total points for the **Redskins/Cowboys game**, your telephone number, and your name and rank.

# Taking the 'ace' indoors

By Senior Airman Ashley DiFallo  
Public Affairs Specialist

The beaches were filled with sunbathers and beach volleyball players all summer. Now that fall is here, the sunbathers have suited up for work, and the players moved indoors — to the fitness center.

Intramural volleyball kicked off Sept. 6 and offers a means for year-round volleyball competition, said Heather Brundidge, 305th Services Squadron intramural sports director.

The fitness center provides the most essential equipment — a net, a ball and jerseys — while the rest of equipment used is decided by the individual players, such as kneepads and footwear.

Volleyball was invented in 1895 by William Morgan at the YMCA in Holyoke, Mass. Morgan created the game for older members as a less strenuous alternative to basketball. American servicemen fighting overseas during World War I introduced the game to Europe and the rest of the world. According to the Web site [www.volleyball.org](http://www.volleyball.org), the sport has quickly spread to the beach, where it has grown to be as popular as its indoor cousin. Both styles are now sanctioned Olympic events.

The rules of the games are simple according to the Web site. Team captains flip a coin to determine which side will serve first. Teams are permitted two 30-second timeouts per game and may use them when the ball is not in play.

Teams are made up of six players. The players hit the ball over a net using any part of their bodies in an effort to score points. Points are scored only by the serving team when the receiving team is either unable to return the volleyball over the net or pre-



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**John Konkolics, 314th Recruiting Squadron, playing for the 305th Mission Support Squadron intramural volleyball team, bumps the ball over the net to the 305th Comptroller Squadron team.**

vent it from touching the court surface. Each score is worth one point. The first team to score 15 points by a margin of two points, up to a maximum of 21, wins the game or set. The team that wins two out of three sets wins the volleyball match, explains the Web site.

Local intramural rules state that each match will not last longer than 12 minutes, and the game will not last longer than one hour, according to a fitness center official.

"My favorite part about playing volleyball is when a team comes together and executes a bump, set, spike that results in a kill," said Teshannee Moye, 305th Comptroller Squadron lead document processing technician. "It's great to see in action and even better when I assist on that play. The hardest thing about playing volleyball would be trying to judge whether a ball is going to be in or out when I play the back row."

Brundidge said if a member wants to relive some beach volleyball memories or just participate in a little friendly competition, intramural volleyball is the way to go.

**Teshannee Moye, 305th Comptroller Squadron lead document processing technician, serves the volleyball during an intramural volleyball game against the 305th Mission Support Squadron Sept. 6.**



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